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In re Application of **Daniel McIntyre, et al.**

Serial No.: **09/876,536**

Art Unit 2876

Confirmation No.: **7578**

Filed: **June 7, 2001**

Patent Examiner: Edwyn Labaze

Title: **Electronic Transaction
Terminal System**

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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Sir:

Applicants wish to comment in the Statement of Reasons for Allowance issued in the above-referenced case. The Statement indicates that the claims were allowed because the prior art does not teach or suggest a system in which the input to the remote control device to operate the cover of the customer terminal and access to the terminal is enabled to be provided only by a service provider in the interior area of the building adjacent to the drive-through lane. Applicants respectfully take issue with these comments as unduly limiting and not reflecting the breadth of the invention. For example, all of these limitations are not found in independent claim 15 or independent claim 28.

Applicants gratefully acknowledge the Notice of Allowance but respectfully state that the claims are allowable because the prior art fails to disclose or suggest the features and relationships recited in the allowed claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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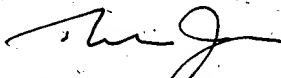
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Very truly yours,



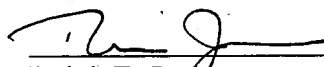
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